

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

05-05

March 15, 2005

### WAIVER OF ENTRANCE FEES AT STATE BEACHES ON BAY DAY

WHEREAS, Rhode Island's magnificent public beaches are one of its most treasured natural resources and should be made available to the State's citizens without cost whenever possible; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island General Laws § 42-17.1-29 permits the Director of the Department of Environmental Management to establish appropriate user and entrance fees for state beaches; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Environmental Management, consistent with Rhode Island General Laws § 42-17.1-29 may from time to time waive user and/or entrance fees for all state beaches; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Environmental Management, with my approval, wishes to waive entrance fees at state beaches on Bay Day; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I DONALD L. CARCIERI, by the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby order and direct the following:

- I. The last Sunday in July is declared Bay Day in the State of Rhode Island.

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2. All Rhode Island state beaches will be open to the public free of entrance fees on this day, July 31, 2005.

This Executive Order supercedes Executive Order 04-07 and shall take effect immediately upon the date hereof.

So Ordered:

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Donald L. Carcieri

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_